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March 18-17

Select Poetry.

BEAUTIFUL THINGS.

BY MRS. M. A. RIDDER.

A gentle voice, a heartful sigh,
A modest blush, a speaking eye,
A manner unadorned, free,
These things are beautiful to me.

A ready hand, a loving heart,
A sympathy that's free from art,
A real friend among the few;
These things are beautiful and true.

A mother's prayer, an answer mild,
An aged sire, a little child,
A happy home, a cheerful hearth;
These things are beautiful on earth.

A joyful song, a chorus sweet,
An earnest soul, and willing feet,
A lay of peace, a night of rest;
These things are beautiful and best.

A sister's love, a brother's care,
A spotless name, a jewel rare,
A cleanly tongue, that will not lie;
These things are beautiful—and why?

Because they all are born of love,
And emanate from God above;
An earnest of the heavenly birth,
These things are beautiful on earth.

Popular Miscellany.

LESSON OF A MURDER TRIAL, DIS-
COURSE BY REV. L. W. BACON.

The Rev. Leonard W. Bacon, pastor of the Congregational Church, on North E-taw street, near Dolphin, Baltimore, delivered a discourse a week or two ago upon the subject of "The Lesson of a Murder Trial." His text was from Deuteronomy, fifth chapter, and seventeenth and eighteenth verses: "Then shalt not kill, neither shalt thou commit adultery."

The reverend speaker remarked that for a week past the whole State of Maryland has been witnessing through the newspapers a capital trial of extraordinary interest and of very peculiar character: a young homicide on trial for his life; a jury empaneled, sworn to render a verdict according to law and facts, the instructions of the bench and its rulings on questions of evidence are faithfully conforming to the accepted principles of evidence and of law, so as to confound the investigation to one question: that of the prisoner's innocence or guilt.

The course of the counsel for the prosecution and for the defense is admirably directed to the same end: the State attempting to establish the fact of homicide with its implication of malice, the prisoner making a show of proving, first, that the act was done in self-defense, and secondly, that the act was done in a moment of irrepressible insanity.

All this is plain and straight forward. All this, if such offenses must come, is very right and honorable to the administration of justice in the State. But as we observe the progress of the trial, it becomes perfectly obvious, even a stranger, that the real defense is one which is forbidden to introduce, and which nevertheless, is introduced; which it is forbidden to rebut, and which, nevertheless, is rebutted by the prosecution; which the jury are sworn not to take into consideration, and which, nevertheless, they are universally expected to consider, and unanimously do consider, and on which, what is commonly accepted as a sort of pious perjury, and the irrepressible appliances of the crowd, they render their verdict. It is clearly enough not the manslaughter who is on trial, but the man slain.

The defense of the homicide in the forum of public opinion—the real defense of it, not the legal fiction of a defense in the criminal court—is that the victim has been guilty of seduction. The crime of seduction, he was about to say, but seduction is no crime under Maryland law. The court are trying, not an assassin, but a dead man and an absent woman. The sham defense of the prisoner at the bar is only set up to be dropped again. The jury having considered the case of the corpse, bring in a speedy verdict of "served him right," and the prisoner at the bar, being acquitted on the pretext of his being a temporary maniac, or of having been assaulted with deadly weapons, and forced into an unwilling homicide, instead of being committed to the charge of physicians, or consigned to the charge of the police, that had befallen him, is hailed with shouts and cheers, and carried aloft on the shoulders of the crowd as a hero, or deliverer of society from the presence of a criminal so heinous that it is not fit that he should live.

This case is no essential respect varies from the general course of judicial dealing in many of the States in similar cases. It is supposed to mark the abhorrence of those States for the crimes that provoked the bloody deeds. But suppose that he was the shameless seducer that he is declared to be, wherein has he offended against the State? What crime has he committed? Search the statute books and see. It is not named upon them. If he could be convicted of the deed, under every aggravating circumstance, it would subject him to no penalty, disqualify him from no honor or emolument. If the honorable instinct which rises to vindicate the violated sanctity of the family is not a whimsical and mock-chivalrous notion, then the laws or no laws of this State for the protection of the family is an insult to the law which God has written in His word and on the heart of every man, and thus it is a shame upon its own honor, a reproach to civilization, an open invitation to mob violence or personal revenge, and a constant peril to the public peace.

Fornication is now not only forbidden—it is expressly legalized by statute. Adultery can be pleaded as a ground of divorce, or may be pleaded in an action for personal damages for the loss of services. It is nothing to the law whether one lives in flagrant adultery and notorious debauchery and corruption of families. Forgery is a felony, and burglary and perjury, &c. but adultery is not even a misdemeanor. And we are very virtuous and indignant that the laws of Utah allow polygamy.

The speaker then named the penalties under the laws of the State from murder down to a larceny of five dollars, which is punished with eighteen months in the penitentiary. But for the crime of adultery the penalty, upon conviction, is a fine of five dollars, and prostitution, fornication, seduction are lawful. Oh, chivalrous people, that know the comparative value of property and honor.

The most miserable consequence of the dereliction of the State is that which is exemplified in that great class of bloody assassinations to which a new case has just been added. The exercise of punishment which should be firmly and temperately held by the hand of orderly and impartial justice, is delivered over to the wild justice of the mob, or of the Lynch court, or to the more frantic hand of private vengeance. It initiates for the moment a common law stronger than any statute, which does more than authorize assassination; which invites scorn upon all law and all authority; which implies that law shall be affronted and insulted in its own courts, misinterpreted by its own expounders, and that justice is to kiss the book to solemn oaths, in open expectation that they shall purge themselves before they leave the box to march forth under the applause of the people.

But it is the duty of his hearers that is his concern, and he trusted they would lay it to heart. The responsibility for this abominable condition of the laws of the State rests upon you, as far as your ability exists, to set it right. You are accessories to the bloodshed which it causes if you countenance it, or make no effort to remedy it.

In closing, the speaker said: "This is political preaching, but is a sermon to his hearers as citizens. He hoped that his adopted State would soon be vindicated from this most foul reproach."

A CONTRAST.

We clip the following from the proceedings of the New York Farmers' Club, and publish the item just as we find it in the New York Tribune. It is the experience of one who has tried both sections:

J. C. McMurphy, of Marion, Iowa:—

He found by sad experience that poor Richard was right in considering three removes as bad as a fire. Here and raised in Delaware, he went to Ohio when 19 years old, got tired of that and wanted to go further West. Later, got up to Minnesota, then into Wisconsin for a dozen years. About that time, he says, he began to consider what he had made by frequent changes. To be sure he had large crops in Wisconsin, but he learned that man cannot live by bread alone, and he sighed for the flesh pots of Egypt. He began to reflect how near he had once lived to Philadelphia and Baltimore and New York, and to consider that what grain he had to sell then could go to market from 5 to 7 cents a bushel, while in Wisconsin he must pay 28 cents to get it to Milwaukee, and then about 40 to New York. But this was not all. He had also left the peaches, pears, apples, cherries, &c., with the funny tribes—the much loved and longed for oysters, yea, and all the privileges of the Atlantic coast. Thus, he was not satisfied in Wisconsin, so he pulled up in 1868, and came to Middle Iowa. This is a good country, I think—much better than Northern Wisconsin. I think Iowa as good as any other of the Western States. I have no fault to find with the State's climate, but I do not like to have to work so hard as I do to build up this railroad and warehouse monopoly. If I was where I once was I should be clear of them, and I do believe that that neck of land lying between the Delaware and Chesapeake bays is just as good a country as there is in this American continent. I should recommend every industrious young man who has the privilege of staying on the home-stead to stay there, or, if he can get hold of one of those old, worn-out Maryland or Virginia farms, to take it in preference to any of those prairie farms. I would rather build up one of those old Atlantic farms than make a new one 2,000 miles from the coast. Don't be afraid of poor land, line and clover will make it produce just as much corn and wheat as any of the land in the Mississippi Valley. I say so from experience."

The Chairman thought this correspondent's views very sensible.

THE ALMSHOUSE PROPERTY.

Wilmington has enlarged her borders and is reaching out her arms in every direction over the adjacent territory. The Almshouse is now within the city, and buildings are going up even beyond it. The twenty-three acres of land belonging to the institution, if divided into town lots and put into the market, along with the buildings thereon, would bring to the county a sum sufficient to buy a farm of 150 acres and put up new buildings, with all the modern improvements and conveniences, more suitable to the needs of the institution; and, it is believed, leave a handsome surplus for stocking and improving the farm. It is thought to be desirable that the Almshouse should be farther removed from the city on several accounts, chiefly for the mutual benefit of the inhabitants of the city, and the inmates of the institution. The hospital for the cure of infectious diseases is in too close proximity to the Almshouse, and, as the city will, in a very brief time, surround the institution, there will be danger of infection spreading among the inhabitants of the city. To avoid this danger, both to the inmates of the Almshouse and the inhabitants of the city, the grounds attached to the institution ought to be large enough to allow of the location of the infectious hospital in some remote place upon the farm away from the vicinity of the Almshouse. Besides, a farm of such an area could be made to yield a large amount for the support of the Almshouse, in the production of grain, beef, pork, poultry, fruit and vegetables, much of the pauper labor being made available to that end, as is the case in other Almshouse establishments. The subject is at least worthy of the consideration of the public and of the county authorities, and we trust that we may be instrumental in calling attention to it, and in eliciting the views of others.

ONE HUNDRED MILLIONS SURPLUS.—The Washington correspondent of the New York World, writing under date of May 1st, says:

An important internal revenue act, passed as long ago as last July, went into effect to-day. It abolishes all the special and license taxes, except on malt liquors, distilled spirits, and tobacco, and will reduce the internal revenue about twenty millions of dollars, and not double that sum, as claimed in some of the administration papers. But notwithstanding this, the receipts from internal revenue and from the tariff will show a surplus for the present fiscal year, ending June 30, of nearly one hundred millions of dollars above necessary actual expenditures. According to the estimate of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, the receipts from that source for this fiscal year will reach \$145,000,000, being \$10,000,000 more than the estimate submitted by the Secretary of the Treasury. The reduction in the tariff effected in the same act of last July proves to be a grand deception. The loss of revenue by the enlargement of the free list has been nearly made up by the increased duties on other articles, and it is doubtful if the revenue from customs is reduced \$20,000,000 instead of \$20,000,000, as claimed by the Republicans when the law was passed.

Mr. Samuel Townsend, who has recently been through the peach growing districts of the peninsula, reports the peach crop as large as in 1869; also that the small fruit crop will be abundant. To make these crops profitable the growers must make satisfactory arrangements with the various railroad lines for reasonable and quick transit to market. The only way to do this is for them to meet and confer together as to the best way to secure a thing so desirable. Such an opportunity is offered on Tuesday next, when there will be a meeting of the Peninsular Fruit Growers' Association at Dover, at 2 o'clock, P. M. to which all fruit growers are invited. Business of great importance will be brought before this meeting and it is desirable that there should be a large attendance.

The civil strife in France still remains unabated. It has been determined by an Imperial Council at Berlin, at which Prince Bismarck was present, to notify the French Government that but a limited period would be allowed to restore order in Paris; that at the expiration of the time, Germany would take measures to stop a civil war originating in revolution and characterized by disgraceful excesses; that those could no longer be borne for the moral and material interests of Germany and of those of all Europe. It is believed in the same despatch that Germany intends to restore the regency of the Emperor Napoleon, make Versailles Government shall full to enforce its authority over France.

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JOINT HIGH COMMISSION.

The Washington correspondent of the Baltimore Gazette says:

Although the veil of secrecy has not yet been lifted by the Joint High Commission, its final action is pretty well known in court circles. Singular as it may seem, it is no less true that Lord Tenterden and Professor Montague Bernard, who were supposed to be the staunch supporters of English Law, as established by long custom, and fortified by able opinions, have either been unable or unwilling to sustain the position which the Crown lawyers took a few years ago, and which Lord Russell insisted on maintaining. The fact is, on the contrary, that England agrees to pay the Alabama claims, and to acknowledge that she is liable for them, because she was in the wrong in letting the vessel escape. Per contra, England claims damages for the English cotton destroyed by General Sherman; for vessels seized during the war, and for damages from Fenian raids. It is, therefore, a regular shop bargain. There was a time when English law and justice went so close together that a noted jurist declared that if you could only find the right side of a question you could always make the law to fit. Now-a-days it seems we first find the expedient side, and then try and make the law to suit.

The Senate, it is now supposed, will ratify the treaty. The chief trouble will be the fisheries, upon which Brother Jonathan is asked to make some concessions. If the treaty be ratified, another Commission will be appointed to carry out the details, the Joint Commission only settling principles. It will be two years before the Alabama claims are audited. The cotton claims are more ample. Collie & Co. of Liverpool, hold claims to the amount of £250,000.

The New York Tribune says:—Col. Forney is so fresh from sharp arraignment of the Administration, that our present high esteem for him would have been better preserved if he had not made haste, so soon after taking possession of his Collectorship in Philadelphia, to re-nominate Gen. Grant for the Presidency. We do not think the time has come for nominating the next President, and we are very sure that new and grateful office-holders are not the men to do it.

Greely is probably thinking of practicing Forney's tactics. If the President would win Greely by his support for a re-nomination, let him try what virtue there is in a first class foreign mission.

Lottery schemes as a general thing are not very good investments, but we don't see how any one can fail to get the worth of their money by investing in the one advertised by G. Patroul, in this paper. In addition to the fine engraving every share holder gets something. The drawing takes place at Denton, Caroline Co. Md. on the 25th of July next. Read the advertisement.

January, 1862, was the date of the suspension of specie payments,—almost ten years ago,—and in all of that long period of time, no legislation has been attempted to restore our currency to a specie basis. It has been a long and fruitless harvest to money-shavers of every grade.

It is thought in well-informed circles in Washington, that at an early day General Pleasanton, now Commissioner of Internal Revenue, will succeed Boutwell as Secretary of the Treasury. The wisecracks see in it another instance of the omnipotence of the military ring.

The Baltimore Gazette says the number of western visitors to that city, of late, is less than it was twenty years ago. St. Louis is the great western rival of the Atlantic cities.

For the Middletown Transcript.

TO FRUIT GROWERS.

Mr. Editor:—I see a call for a meeting of the Fruit Growers' Association of this peninsula, to be held at Dover, on Tuesday next the 9th inst. As a fruit grower, and being interested in everything pertaining to the proper management and transfer of the same from this peninsula to the different markets in this country, let me exhort all parties engaged in the culture of fruits of any kind, or those who expect in any way to be benefited by the profits of said business, to attend that meeting. It will or should be the most interesting meeting ever held by the association. The matter of freights by rail are to be considered and passed upon. The unjust and exorbitant tax laid upon the Railroad by the Legislature will be a matter that should receive the attention and consideration of the Association, as the whole tax will have to be borne by fruit growers along the line of the Railroad. It is time that fruit growers along the line of the Railroad should be heard upon this important question of freights. It has been more than hinted in some quarters that the whole matter of tax was a log rolling scheme in the Legislature, by members living remote from the road, to make the peach interest pay all the State Tax. The remark has more than once fallen upon the ear of your humble servant, that those receiving the advantage of railroad transportation should be made pay for the advantages. Now, I would ask, is it fair, is it just, that one particular interest should be made to bear the whole amount of the State's indebtedness. If the fruit growers are to pay the whole tax why not tax the fruit in the orchard and the berries on the vines, and not put the burden upon a particular section, and that upon the line of Railroad. In conclusion, permit me again to invite you and all to attend the meeting. There is wisdom in a multitude of counselors. Merchants, mechanics, and tradesmen, of all descriptions, are interested in the result of the fruit crop, then why not they come up to our help against the mighty.

FRUIT GROWERS.

LOCAL AND STATE AFFAIRS.

Handenburg & Co's. Manages and Circuses, which will exhibit here on next Saturday, the 13th instant, are said to be the largest and best in the country. An exchange says:—The variety and extent of the Manages and Circuses, owned by Messrs. Handenburg & Co and incorporated in this grand caravan, can in the most liberal sense, be called comprehensive. In point of variety they are superior to any, while in extent they are without an equal. Were they placed alone before the people, without the collateral attractions of a circus—a show of trained, performing animals—the grand effects of outside munificence and splendor—we think, in fact, are satisfied, that they would prove a powerful attraction. The animals and birds, of which there are nearly three hundred, are all important ones—very few being of kinds with which the public have been long familiar. There are a number which are positively new to the people of this country. Spectators, when they pass around inspecting the inmates of the dens, will find a variety, not a lot of duplications. Some concerns have a great number of specimens we admit, almost as many as Messrs. Handenburg & Co. possess, but they are mostly lions, tigers, leopards, South American tigers (not Bengals), panthers, wild cats, monkeys, coons and foxes. In Messrs. Handenburg & Co's there are the white camels, cheetah leopards, the size, dim and color, perfect specimens of the genus *strang*, not quaggers; the Alaskan white bear, silver-tipped lambs, the only ones in America, a serval, a new animal, a zebu, barabassas, a strange creature, a royal family of black-maned lions, rare and large bush kangaroos, a wombat, African ostriches, and other specimens which are exclusive variety. The ordinary stock of lions, leopards, camels, dromedaries, hyenas, lambs, wolves and elephants, are also choice; in fact, none better have ever been placed on exhibition. Having on hand such material for allowing the public to see beasts and birds, which are, in reality, curiosities, Handenburg & Co. can with perfect propriety, claim to have the largest and best Menageries and Circuses upon this Continent.

THE POOR OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY.—From the annual report of Wm. R. Dickson, Esq., the Superintendent of the Almshouse, we learn that 156 persons were relieved during the year ending February 28. Of these 111 were white people and 45 blacks. During the year there were 18 births and 19 deaths among the inmates. The principal items of expense were as follows: For groceries, provisions, dry goods and miscellaneous items, \$7,575.83; For relief outside of Almshouse, 967.87; Paid trustees, physician, superintendent, matron, hired help, &c., 1,405.20; For State purposes, \$9,948.80.

Of the above \$1,176.02 was received from sales of farm produce and work done by inmates. Among the products of the farm were 750 bushels of wheat, 725 of wheat, 30 of oats, 1150 bushels of vegetables, 15,000 heads of cabbage, 28 tons of hay, 5,174 pounds of pork; 2,418 pounds of beef, veal and lamb; 622 pounds lard; 425 pounds butter; 600 bushels of peas and beans; 4 apples. The farm stock consists of 5 horses, 2 mules, 2 oxen, 7 cows, 35 sheep, 37 lambs, 15 hogs.—Delawarean.

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT.—The Assessors in the different Hundreds are now engaged in making the assessment, under an act passed by the Legislature of this State, entitled an act to raise revenue for State and County purposes. Under the law of 1869, the shares of stock in Banks, Railroads and other Corporations, which paid a tax of one-fourth of one per centum on their capital, to the State Treasurer, were exempted by the State Assessor, but it is the opinion of the counsel for the Levy Court (who have the levying of the tax under this law), that as it is for County, as well as for State purposes, no investments in any kind are exempted except those mentioned in the act, viz: Bonds issued by the United States and those issued by this State.

The assessors, according to the 10th section proceed to make assessments of all debts, stocks, or shares, securities and investments, whatever (except those specially exempted) so as to make their return to the Levy Court at a meeting, to be held on the first Tuesday in June, for that purpose.

DECEASED.—A negro boy, aged six years, was drowned in Sedgeham Creek, Cecil Co. Md. on Sunday, April 23d, the particulars as near as can be gotten are as follows: Harry Hughes, a negro man, with whom the boy was living, on going away from home left the boy at Thomas Hughes's, his son, to be taken care of until his return. During the day the boy went over to Mr. Joseph B. Clark's to play with some other negro boys in their play the boy was frightened him in some way and he ran toward the creek, and was not seen or heard of again, until last Sunday, when he was found dead in the marsh. A coroner's inquest was held and a verdict of accidental drowning rendered.

MR. & DR. RAILROAD.—At a meeting of the Directors of the Maryland and Delaware Railroad, held at the office of the company in Easton on Tuesday, the Messrs. Caldwell, contractors, delivered up the road, stock, &c. from Easton to Cecil, to the County Commissioners. The road will hereafter be run, instead of by the contractors, as heretofore, Mr. J. L. Caldwell, the efficient Superintendent, will still continue in charge.

MR. JOHN W. SCOTT, Auditor, was also elected Secretary and Treasurer of the Company, vice Dr. G. W. Goldsborough resigned.—*Eastern Journal*.

RELOCATORS.—Forest Presbyterian Church.—Rev. John Patton, D. D. Pastor. Services—Sabbath mornings at 10; Sabbath evenings at 7; and Wednesday evenings at 7 o'clock. St. Ann's Episcopal Church, Rev. Jno. Collins, D. D. Rector. Services—Sabbath mornings at 10; Sabbath evenings at 7 o'clock. All Fridays at 4 o'clock, p.m. Methodist Episcopal Church.—Rev. Vaughan Smith, Pastor. Services—Sabbath mornings at 10; Sabbath evenings at 7 o'clock.

List of letters remaining in the Post Office at Middletown, Del. May 1st, 1871.—Robert Adams, Dr. John A. Brown, Robert Brown, Edward R. Carpenter, John W. Clark, John F. Evans, James Gray, Jr. S. F. Garman, Esq. W. B. Gray, Arrington Hagge, Alfred Johnson, T. R. Minick, Mary Emma McNeill, Alex. J. Powell, E. L. Marine, 2 H. F. Owens, William Remond, M. W. Rose, Annie Sapp, James Tate, Emma T. Vinton, James Vineyard. Persons calling for the above letters will please say they are advertised.

ENGLISH SPANARDS.—In speaking, last week, of the introduction of English Spaniards into New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore, we omitted to mention that they had also been introduced into this town. Mr. Frank Lippincott, at the National Hotel, turned loose three pair of them, a few weeks since, and they are now seen daily flitting about among the branches of the trees in that vicinity, and boxes for them to build their nests in have been put up in the trees.

SALE OF REAL ESTATE.—Geo. W. Ingram & Co. brokers and real estate agents of this town, have sold the White Hall farm, of Mr. R. L. Mally to S. F. Shattlesworth, Esq. for \$36,750. This is the third farm sold by this firm this spring—one to Col. Joshua Clayton for \$24,000, and one to J. K. Williams for \$29,000. This is an active and energetic firm, and persons wishing to dispose of property should place it in their hands.

RUNAWAY.—As the agent of Professor Pratt, was driving out of town on Tuesday last, his horse became frightened at the cars and ran off, leaving a thorn hedge, carrying the carriage with him, and throwing the driver out. The agent was slightly bruised, and the horse was severely injured by having a shaft plunged into him several inches.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER.—A meeting of Royal Arch Masons was held at Masonic Hall, on Tuesday night, and a Chapter organized, called the Adoniram Chapter, with the following officers:—A. G. Cox, Most Excellent High Priest; J. T. Budd, King; R. E. Smith, Scribe.

At the town election in Cecilton, on Monday last, there were 56 votes cast, and the republicans elected by ticket by majorities ranging from 1 to 7. At the same election the citizens decided by a vote of 43 to 7 against the sale of liquor in the town.

The Clayton Depot is being handsomely repainted. A raised platform is to be erected for the accommodation of fruit chippers.

THE POOR OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY.—The annual meeting of the Trustees took place on Wednesday the 26th ult. From the statement showing the number and condition of, and the expenses for the maintenance of the poor of this county, for the year ending Jan. 21, 1871, we glean the following:—Total number of inmates 469, births 19, deaths 31, discharged 117, remaining 246, white American citizens 150, foreigners 166, colored 129, insane 27, elapsed 18.

TREASURER'S REPORT.
By balance in Treasurer's hands, \$1,248.74
Cash received from various sources, up to March 1st, 1871, 28,240.20
\$29,489.94

To cash paid allowance by Board from March 1, 1870, to March 1, 1871, \$25,312.98
Balance in Treasurer's hands, 4,175.96
\$29,488.94

PRODUCE OF FARM FOR 1870.
16 Tons of Hay, at \$20 per ton, \$320.00
35 Bushels of Wheat, at 1.25 per bus. 43.75
15 Bushels of Corn, at 90 cts. per bus. 13.50
6 Tons Wheat Straw, at 10 per ton, 60.00
4000 Heads of Cabbage, 7 cts per head, 280.00
200 Bus. White Potatoes, 220.00
400 Baskets of Tomatoes, at 40 cts. per basket, 160.00
2800 lbs. of Pork, at \$14 per hd., 392.00
500 lbs. of Butter, at 50 cts. per lb., 250.00
Milk of 40 cows, 100.00
Eggs and Poultry, 80.00
2 Calves, at \$12 apiece, 24.00
Sundries sold from the farm, 75.00
Total, \$2,923.25

STOCK.—2 Horses; 8 head of Cattle; 15 Shoats. The Trustees elected homoeopathic physicians in place of allopathic practitioners.

Our Elkton correspondent under date of May 4th, writes as follows:—The election for town commissioners passed off very quiet last Monday day. There being but one ticket in the field (if we may except one called by its friends the "Red Hot one," which received scarcely half a dozen votes), the elected candidates were unanimously elected.

There is talk of erecting water works for the security and convenience of the town. A gentleman versed in such things, estimates the cost at not more than \$10,000.

Joshua Cleaver died of pneumonia at the residence of his sister, on Wednesday morning, the 3rd inst, aged about 35 years. He was ill but a few days.

A meeting, friendly to the location of the peninsular academy here, was held in the Court House, on Wednesday evening, John Partridge in the chair. After carefully discussing the project it was resolved that a committee be appointed to meet the "Board" in Wilmington and lay before them the particular advantages here offered, and the interest of the citizens in the movement. In furtherance of this, it was agreed that there be another meeting on Saturday evening, May 6th, in the same place.

KENT CO. RAILROAD.—On Monday last, trains commenced running over an additional section of the Kent Co. Railroad and to within a few miles of Chestertown. The track is graded to Chestertown and the rails will soon be laid.

The Kent & Queen Anne's road has been completed to Prince's Station and trains now run there regularly. The road is being pushed on to Centerville and only seven miles remain to be completed to that town.

It is the opinion of experienced peach growers that the present crop, in this section, bids fair to exceed the great crop of 1869. The trees were never known to be so full of young fruit as they are at the present time.

County.—The court will meet at New Castle on Monday next. The jail will be filled with offenders and the Civil list is of considerable length, consequently the session will last about the usual time.

The M. E. Sabbath School of Smyrna, expect to hold a strawberry festival soon—berries to come from the South—to raise money for their \$1000 fund.

The wheat crop is looking well. Harvest will be earlier than it has been for a number of years, probably by the 15th or 20th of June.

The copious showers which have descended for several days past, have put an end to the protracted drought.

There was a slight fall of hail on Thursday, between Warwick and Cecilton, but no damage was done.

Wheat is selling in Middletown at \$1.50 per bushel; corn 70 cts; oats 60 cts.

Twelve negroes were taken to the penitentiary from Chestertown last week.

Building Loan funds sold on Thursday evening at 14.

Correspondence of the Middletown Transcript.

New Castle, May 5th, 1871.

MR. ECKERT.—The old fashioned idea of fencing in and white washing our County Seat has, I believe, been at last totally abandoned, for with the improvements in progress and in contemplation, it is pretty generally conceded that we will at no distant day, be in a position to claim the title of Town at least, if not City.

Since the failure to remove the County Buildings from Wilmington, the Legislature, one of which is on the part of many of our leading citizens to make this what it should be, a first class Town, and to further this end, two Acts of Incorporation were asked for and obtained at the recent Session of the Legislature. One of which is to build a first class Hotel, the other to build a Narrow Gauge Railway, between here and Wilmington, both of which enterprises, if pushed through to completion, will not only be successful, and contribute largely to the growth of the Town and increase the value of the property. Wm. Herbert & Co. are about erecting a row of some twelve or thirteen small dwelling houses on the lot known as the "Lafferty lot," at the corner of Harmony and Market Streets. These houses are to be of a class suitable for small families, that can be rented for from ninety to one hundred dollars per annum. The cellars are already dug and a portion of the foundation laid, and it is the intention of the builders to have them ready for occupancy by fall. G. L. Jenkinson, is to do the carpenter work and A. M. Hilar the brick work.

Court commences on Monday next, and there is every indication of its being a long term. There is quite a long civil list, and a considerable number of prisoners to be tried. There are now over seventy prisoners in jail, most of them awaiting trial; two for capital offences, viz. Rape, and accessory. Since the induction of the new officers, the jail has been thoroughly cleaned out, and is now as clean as a new pin, in fact in better condition than it has been for years. The work was all done by the prisoners under the personal supervision of the Jail Warden and Jail Commissioners, costing the county nothing but the material. This speaks well for the new officers and commissioners, and shows they have an eye to the sanitary condition of their charge as well as economy. The election for Town Commissioners and Clerk of the Market came off on Tuesday last, and resulted in the success of the regular Democratic ticket. The Rads very wisely made no ticket, consequently we had no such blood competition as last spring. The following gentlemen compose the Board, viz: Robert Delin, Wm. Herbert, Wm. Shearer, Jacob Herman and Wm. Guyer, Commissioners, and Michael McGeehan, Clerk. A workman on the new Roman Catholic Church by the name of Owens, recently fell from the main floor to the basement, sustaining severe internal injuries; he is not expected to recover.

The City Comptroller of New York reports that under the new tax levy the amount will fall short about \$7,000,000, and a considerable deduction must be made in the city and county expenditures for the ensuing year.

A mother in Michigan recently had five daughters at a birth.

THE HIGHEST CASH PRICE Paid for WOOL by JAMES R. HOFFMEYER, May 6-1w

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An extensive breach has occurred in the Erie canal at Oxbow. The canal authorities are using active measures to repair it, but it will require at least fifteen days to do so, as thirty thousand yards of earth have gone out and the materials for repairs have to be drawn a considerable distance.

A hailstorm which did considerable damage to the growing crops, passed over a portion of St. Mary's county, Md. on Friday the 28th ult.

The new iron bridge across the James river, known as Mayo's bridge, was completed and open to travel Saturday afternoon, last.

MARRIED.

In Sassafras Neck, Cecil Co. Md. on the 27th inst. at the residence of the bride's father, Wm. Knight, Esq. by the Rev. T. F. Billop, Mr. Wm. Ward, and Miss Charlotte Knight. On Thursday April 27, Rev. R. C. Allison, Mr. Julius G. Cleaver & Miss Emma Burgess, all of St. Georges Hundred.

DIED.
At Charlestown, Cecil county, Md. on Friday evening, April, 28th, James Hasson, in the 67th year of his age.

THE MARKETS.

MIDDLETOWN MARKET.
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY A. T. BRADLEY.

Wheat, prime.....\$1.40 1/2 50
Corn, yellow......70 1/2 50
Oats......60 1/2 50
Timothy Seed......90 1/2 50
Clover......80 1/2 50
Eggs......30 1/2 50
Butter......30 1/2 50
Potatoes......15 1/2 50

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A LONG LINE OF
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Containing living specimens of

For the *Middletown Transcript*.
Locust Grove, May 3rd, 1871.

Mr. Editor:—On last Saturday evening our citizens and the neighborhood generally were highly entertained by the arrival of Professor Theodore Ascherfeld the world-renowned lecturer on Phenology.

He came quite to the surprise of the neighborhood. However, after a short notice given, he was blessed with a very respectable and attentive audience the same evening, April 29. In addition to the lecture, we were lively entertained by music, by the Professor, on the accordion and also the zolian seraphine, the only instrument of its kind in the country.

One desiring to know one's self should by all means attend his lectures. In our estimation, we pronounce him as thorough in his profession.

In addition to the above let me add that a number of heads were felt greatly to the satisfaction of the persons themselves, as well as to the gratification of all present.

The Easton, Md. Star says:—Some of our farmers are planting large crops of tomatoes this season, believing that they will prove more remunerative than grain crops. The canners pay fair prices for tomatoes. In good ground four plants will grow a bush, and they usually average 50 cents a box. At this rate it will pay well to cultivate them.

The Treasury programme for the purchase of bonds and sale of gold for May, will be as follows:—\$2,000,000 of bonds to be purchased each Wednesday—making \$10,000,000 for the month—\$2,000,000 of gold to be sold each Thursday, making \$8,000,000 for the month.

Hon. James M. Mason, ex-United States Senator from Virginia, and Minister to England under the late Confederate Government, died near Alexandria, Va. on Friday the 28th ult.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

All linen hem-stitched handkerchiefs for ladies, 12 1/2 cts. at
Scowdrick & Cochran's.

A full line of white P. N.'s at
Hanson Bros.

A new invoice of Cloths and Cassimeres, all styles; call and see them. Suits made to order and guaranteed to fit, at city prices at
Hanson Bros.

White Goods! White Goods!—A large assortment at reduced prices, at
Hanson Bros.

Japanese and black silks, at
Hanson Bros.

All linen hem-stitched handkerchiefs, 12 1/2 cts. at
Hanson Bros.

Houses for Sale:—A White Housekeeper wanted—Address with reference to
W. B. WIRT,
St. Augustine, Cecil Co. Md.

Just received a full line of Ladies, Misses and childrens Kid Gaiters, buttoned and laced, from the manufacturers at Scowdrick & Cochran's.

A new line of Panama and Straw Hats for gents and boys at
Hanson Bros.

Hanson Bros. have just received this week another invoice of new goods, adapted to the present season, consisting of dress goods, prints, hats and caps, white goods, &c. at prices to suit everyone. Call and see them.

A fine collection of rare plants, rocks, shrubbery, &c. from the Great Northern & Southern Nurseries, Wilmington, Del. will be offered for sale in Middletown, on Tuesday morning, May 2nd, 1871. This will be one of the largest and finest collections of rare and beautiful flowers ever offered in Middletown, Del. No place will be sold before 9 o'clock, A. M.
R. SCOWDRICK & COCHRAN.

Second opening of Ladies Dress goods, white goods, trimmings, hosiery, notions, &c. at
Scowdrick & Cochran's.

Prof. O. S. Platt, The Great Horse Educator, is coming, and intends to give exhibitions at the following named places: Delaware City, April 30 and May 1st; St. Georges, May 2d; Odessa, May 3d and 4th; Middletown, 5th and 6th of May. All interested in horses should go and see him as he is the wonder of the age. Free exhibitions twice each day at 2 & 7 P. M. at his tent. All had horses handled free of charge to members of the class.

White Goods!—A full line of Pecky's in satin stripe, corda and sea shore stripes, checked and striped caucuses, Perots in variety, white spreads, Marcellis and Honey Comb, a full line of white trimmings, Hamburg and French Insertions and edgings at
Hanson Bros. Town Hall.

Carpets, matting, table, and floor Oil cloths 4-5-6-8-4 wide, at Hanson Bros.

Dried and canned fruits at
Scowdrick & Cochran's.

Hanson Bros. have just received direct from the manufacturers, a line of Misses and childrens Bronzed buttoned gaiters, Ladies, Misses and childrens French kid, Morocco and laced boots with kid fronts which were manufactured to their special order—every pair warranted, sold very low and on the most reasonable terms, at
Hanson Bros.

Good molasses at 25 cts. per gallon at
Scowdrick & Cochran's.

No. 2 Mackerel at \$10 per Barrel at
Scowdrick & Cochran's.

Ladies of Middle-town and vicinity, are requested to call at Scowdrick & Cochran's and see their handsome stock of white goods and trimmings now opening.

Doty's Washer and Universal Clothes Wringer for Sale by
E. T. EVANS.

Genuine Ramsdell Norway Oats, suitable for feed. For Sale at
EVANS.

Pure Ground Plaster for sale by
A. T. BRADLEY.

Wanted, 10,000 Bushels of Wheat at highest market price, for act. Wm. Lea & Sons,
E. T. EVANS.

Rambo's White's and Kennedys' Line, For sale by A. T. BRADLEY.

Try Pontaxat Flour, the best in this market, For Sale by
A. T. BRADLEY.

Prime Clover and Timothy Seed at
E. T. EVANS.

Mt. Carmel Locust Mountain Coal, Hickory and Oak Wood, for Sale at Evans' Coal and Wood Yard, Middletown, Del.

Allen & Bell's Sole Drain Tile, constantly on hand and furnished to order at manufacturers prices, by
E. T. EVANS.

ITEMS OF NEWS.

All the bonnets of the season are modifications of the gypsy or cottage shapes. Their brims are either turned up or indented, filled with ruffles or pautaux, or left plain to be filled with frizzles of hair, as the taste or fancy of the wearer may indicate.

A despatch from Memphis, Tennessee, dated May 2nd, says: Black caterpillars have appeared in surrounding bottoms in such droves as, in one instance, to stop a train of cars. They are destroying vegetation to a considerable extent.

On March 25th Chili was visited by the most violent earthquake since 1850. Many buildings in Valparaiso and Santiago were damaged. The rocking continued throughout the day. At night people camped in the squares and fields.

In a great many houses in New York some of the rooms are made with inlaid floors of handsome wood, which are not to have carpets, but small mats placed by the chairs and sofas.

An army of caterpillars is on the move through Southern Illinois, devouring in its march leaves, buds, and everything of a succulent nature.

Methodist churches were built in this country in 1870 at the rate of four to every work-day, the number being over 1,200.

The weather in California is hot and dry and the crop prospects are not improving.

Massachusetts people are complaining because they are fed upon diseased beets.

A PRESENT FROM TURKEY.—Baltazzi Effendi, the Turkish Charge d'Affaires in Washington, received from the Sultan on Monday, a magnificent carpet, manufactured expressly as a gift for this government, and designed for the East Room of the Executive Mansion. In accordance with his instructions, he has, by letter, informed the President through the Secretary of State of the desire of the Sultan to make the present as a testimonial of the friendly feelings entertained by the Sultan towards the government and people of the United States, and has been officially notified of its acceptance. The carpet was made at the Imperial factory, and was a complete year in preparation. It weighs 1,500 pounds. Competent judges say it is worth from nine to ten thousand dollars. It is woven in one piece, and has been put on the floor of the East Room.

A case of misplaced confidence has recently come to light at Rathsburg. A young man of prepossessing appearance, engaged in the mercantile business, ingratiated himself into the good graces of a very worthy and respectable young lady residing near the village, only to be the means of her ruin. A few days ago a brother of the outraged lady sought the man who had ruined his sister, and with a pistol in his hand, extracted from him a promise to marry the wronged lady. On Saturday night, however, he left for parts unknown, leaving his outraged paramour and innocent babe to mourn their loss, and his partner somewhat worse off by the transaction. —*Centerville Observer.*

WHISKY STATISTICS.—A statement of the number of grain and molasses distilleries in operation throughout the country, issued from the Revenue Office to-day, shows that there are 303 grain distilleries and 6 molasses distilleries—an increase of 19 over the past year. The total spirit-producing capacity of these stills is 219,354 gallons daily, and the supposed daily consumption is 230,000, or 13,845 gallons more than is made. The distilleries for the year ending April 30, 1871, produced 45,123 gallons more than the past year.

Snow and Ice in Virginia Mountains.—Persons from the mountain districts in the western section of the country inform us that on Sunday morning in that region there was a covering of snow on the ground to the depth of one inch, and that ice of a quarter inch in thickness formed on still water exposed to the open air. As a matter of course the fruit buds are all blasted. The prospect for an abundant yield of fruit was very promising, as the trees there were just opening in full bloom. —*Chapel Hill (M.) News.*

KE-KLUX NO BAR TO NORTHERN SETTLERS.—The New York Tribune publishes a card from Northern settlers in Virginia and North Carolina, testifying that not only are persons and property safe in the sections of those States where they reside, but that they never lived in a more orderly and law-abiding community. Many of those who thus testify are republicans. —Such evidence ought to have its weight.

Wonders Will Never Cease.

JAMES H. COLLINS has removed to the Watchmaker and Jeweller Shop formerly occupied by C. A. Borquin, on Broad street, and has on hand superior stock of

Ladies' & Children's Boots & Shoes, which he will sell at the lowest cash prices. Gentlemen's fine Kid Skin Boots made to order, and repairing of all kinds promptly attended to. If you don't believe it give him a trial. A patent metal heel, to keep boots and shoes from running down, will be supplied to all who wish to give it a trial. For the best Boots and Shoes of all kinds call on
JAMES H. COLLINS,
Middletown, Del.
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POSTS! POSTS!! POSTS!!!

THE undersigned will furnish white oak posts of any size desired, to the public at moderate prices.
E. R. HUNTER,
Fenderson, Md.
Reference—J. P. COCHRAN, Middletown, Del.

FOR SALE.

A neat and substantial German carriage, at \$85. Call and examine it.
J. M. COX & BRO.,
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TO INVESTORS.

A DWELLING IN MIDDLETOWN NEWLY & substantially built, and in good style, will be sold on terms which will pay, 11 per cent. to purchaser at a rental usual and satisfactory to tenants. Apply to
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Apr 22—ly **228 MARKET ST. Wilmington, Del.**

SPECIAL NOTICES.
DEAFNESS, BLINDNESS, AND CATARRH treated with the utmost success, by J. ISAACS, M. D., and Professor of Diseases of the Eye and Ear (his specialty) in the Medical College of Philadelphia, 13 years experience, (formerly of Leyden, Holland.) No. 805 Arch street, Phila. Testimonials can be seen at his office. The medical faculty are invited to accompany their patients, as he has no secrets in his practice. Artificial eyes inserted without pain. No charge for examination.
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GIBSON'S PRICE CURRENT.
Eggs 12cts. 14cts. 16cts.
Butter 46. Hogs 8.
Chickens, dressed 12. Hogs, alive 10.
Ducks 14. Potatoes round 100.
Turkeys 16. Potatoes small 10.
Green 12. Honey 20.
The above prices will be paid in cash for produce delivered in good order; and we wish to say that we keep constantly on hand a good assortment of Groceries and Provisions which we will sell reasonably for cash, at the Corner of Broad and Anderson Streets, Middletown, Del.
March 20—tf Wm. Z. GIBSON.

1871 NEW STOCK 1871.
or
SPRING AND SUMMER GOODS.

PAY CASH, and buy your goods at the Cash Store, where all goods are sold at cash and not at 6 or 12 months prices. We have just received and are opening this week our new stock of Spring and Summer Goods, bought for cash and are selling them at a small advance.

FOR CASH!!
Or Country Produce. We offer Great Bargains in
Carpets, Matting, and Oil Cloths,
A large assortment of Mens and Boys' FINE READY MADE CLOTHING.

Great bargains in Dress Goods, Alpaca, Delaines, Grenadines, Prints, Fine Cambric, Striped and Plain Madras, Burghas in
Cloths, Cassimeres & Summer Wear,
Great bargains in Boots and Shoes, Men's Fine Calf Boots and Gaiters, Gents' Fine Shoes, and Lace Boots, Ladies' Misses' Boots and Children's button Lace and Gaiters, Boots, Women's Shoes, without heels,
Canned Fruits, Pickles, Chow Chow & Macaroni,
HATS AND CAPS.
Shirts and Drawers, Window Blinds & Curtains
Lithograph Herring and Macaroni, birds & dolls
All persons in want of goods will please call and examine our stock as we are determined to sell goods low for cash.

Agents for Dr. Rogers' Magnesia Oil and Liver Pills.
S. R. STEPHENS & CO.,
Middletown, Del.
apr 22—tf

CONSIGNEES AND BEHRY
PEACE AND BEHRY
RESPECTFULLY SOLICITED.
369 & 370 West Washington Market N. Y.
Commission Dealers in
COUNTRY PRODUCE,
DOMESTIC FRUIT, &c. &c.

E. T. EVANS
AGENT FOR
W. H. WANSER,
"PEACH KING," OF NEW YORK,
WILL BE IN THE MARKET TO REVEAL ALL
Good Orchards of Peaches
Offered during the ensuing season.
apr 22—mos.

ARCH STREET HOUSE.
No. 1, Arch St.
Philadelphia.
C. W. LOCKE,
Proprietor.
march 4—tf

FARMERS AND HORSEMEN TAKE NOTICE!!!
Improvement in Horse Shoeing
At the old well-known stand of Culbertson & Elison, ELISON & PETERSON, having purchased the right of Parks' Improved Horse Shoe, are now prepared to relieve all lame horses and those that are not lame from ever becoming so. We increase their speed, prolong their lives, and make them more valuable, by the use of Parks' Improved Horse Shoe. Also, Parks' Farriery for sale, by
ELIASON & PETERSON,
Middletown, Del.
apr 20—2mos

VICTOR GREEN,
Attorney at Law,
OFFICE ADJOINING HIS RESIDENCE, N. BROAD ST
MIDDLETOWN, DELAWARE,
July 2—y

NEW GOODS!!!
SPRING AND SUMMER 1871.
GREAT REDUCTIONS,
Goods Cheap and Styles Beautiful!!
AT
HANSON BROS.
TOWN HALL,
MIDDLETOWN, DELAWARE.

BLACK SILKS,
JAPANESE SILKS
BLACK SATIN,
FRENCH DRESS GOODS, in colors,
NOTIONS,
Fine ENGLISH HOSIERY
FOR
LADIES, GENTS,
MISSSES and CHILDREN.
BOOTS & SHOES,
HATS AND CAPS,
CASSIMERES AND CLOTHS,
WHITE GOODS,
TRIMMINGS,
GROCERIES,
PROVISIONS,
&c. &c. &c.
INSPECTION CORDIALLY SOLICITED, AND PRICES CHEERFULLY QUOTED.
Terms Reasonable.
HANSON BROS.
April 22—2mos.

Peninsular Machine Works
MIDDLETOWN, DELAWARE.
TAKE NOTICE.
PENNINGTON BROS.
HAVE the exclusive right of New Castle and Kent counties, Del. and Kent and Cecil counties, Md. to make and attach the Drop-Delivery to old reapers. We invite the farmer to call and see our
IMPROVED REAPER FOR 1871.
WITH DROP-DELIVERY, which we offer for LESS money and warrant them superior to any other reaper introduced here, for
Simplicity, Strength and Durability,
And equal for Lightness of Draft
apr 22—tf PENNINGTON BROS.

PLANTS, FRUIT & SHADE TREES FOR SALE.
THE subscribers have the following varieties of Plants, Fruit and Shade Trees for sale:
2,000 PEACH TREES.
500 PEAR TREES.
500 CHERRY TREES.
3,000 BLACKBERRY PLANTS.
50,000 RASPBERRY PLANTS.
50,000 ORANGE PLANTS.
250 MAPLE TREES.
Odessa, April 18—24
POLK & HYATT.

HIDES AND TALLOW WANTED!
The highest prices will be paid at
Nov. 20—tf GIBSON'S,
Middletown, Del.

A FINE FRESH COW FOR SALE.
M. N. WILLITS,
Middletown, Del.
apr 1—tf

CLOVER HAY, \$10 PER TON, for sale by
M. N. WILLITS,
Middletown, Del.
apr 1—tf

HO! FOR SPRING!
J. F. ELIASON
HAS just returned from the city with a large and handsome stock of
SPRING AND SUMMER GOODS,
Consisting in part as follows:
LADIES' DRESS POPLINS,
ALPACA SERGES,
PERCALES, CAMBRICS, STRIPES,
PLAIDS, &c. &c.
Spring and Summer Cassimeres,
LINEN DUCKS & DRILLS.
NOTIONS, HOSIERY, GLOVES, &c.
LADIES', MISSES & CHILDREN'S
BOOTS AND GAITERS,
READY-MADE CLOTHING,
AND
FURNISHING GOODS,
GROCERIES, PROVISIONS, &c.
And in fact everything usually kept in a first-class country store. All of the above goods have been bought from first hands for net cash, and will be sold at the very lowest prices.
FOR CASH!
April 8—tf. J. F. ELIASON,
Middletown, Del.

To Fruit Growers and Truckmen.
FOR SALE.
A Tract of Land containing about
One Hundred Acres.
SITUATED in Indian River Hundred, Sussex County, Delaware, 14 miles from Harbeson station, on the Junction and Breakwater Railroad, 9 miles from Lewis, from where there is regular steamboat communication with New York. About 20 acres of this tract are cleared and fenced, and in a fair state of cultivation, of the remainder, 25 acres are in oak timber, and 25 acres in pine. The land is well adapted to the growing of peaches, small fruits, and early vegetables. Cranberries could be successfully cultivated, as a small stream of water runs through the tract. There are no buildings on the land. This property is worthy the attention of persons wishing to engage in fruit culture, and will be sold at a low price, on easy terms. Persons desirous of viewing the premises, will call on Thompson & Burton, Harbeson Station, and further information as to terms &c. can be obtained from them, or from John M. Hopkins, Taylors Bridge, New Castle County, Delaware. April 6—6a.

IS "SPHAGNINE"?
The Great Delaware Fertilizer.

MANUFACTURED BY THE
SPHAGNINE MANUFACTURING COMPANY,
At Delaware City, Del. out of
ORGANIC ANIMAL MATTER,
GUANO, POTASH, SODA
AND URINE.

ACTIVE AND LASTING!
Equaling all and exceeding many of the popular Fertilizers, and the price fully 25 per cent. less. Dealers and Farmers will please give the Sphagnine one trial.

WHOLESALE DEPOTS:
Messrs. MCCOY & BASIN, No. 73 South street, Baltimore.
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Price \$10 per ton of 2,500 lbs.—Liberal discount to dealers 75%. All orders must be addressed to
WILLIAM REYNOLDS,
NEWARK, DEL. Sole Agt for the Co. & General Dealer in Peruvian Guano, Bones, Ashes, Plaster, Lime, &c. J. T. Fisher, traveling agent.
For sale by J. A. REYNOLDS & SONS,
Middletown, Del.
apr 8—2mos.

WATSON & CLARK'S
SUPERPHOSPHATE.
OFFICE BOOTH & GARRETT LABORATORY, &c. Philadelphia, March 24th, 1871.

It is our constant practice to make chemical analysis of the phosphate manufactured by Messrs. Watson & Clark, of this city. We analyze materials employed in the manufacture, the materials in the course of manufacture, and the finished product ready for commerce. We know from our analysis that it is the constant endeavor of W. & C. to throw into market a uniform and reliable fertilizer, which shall not be inferior to the best, but rather surpass them. The average analysis of the past year's work shows the contents of their fertilizer to be:
Soluble Phosphoric Acid about 7 per cent. equivalent to soluble bone phosphate 15 per cent.
Total Phosphoric Acid about 15 per cent. equivalent to total bone phosphate 32 1/2 per cent.
Ammonia about 1 per cent. equivalent to sulphate of ammonia 4 per cent.

Soluble phosphoric Acid fluctuates from 6 1/2 to 7 1/2 per cent. the total from 14 to 16 per cent. and the ammonia from 1 to 1 1/2 per cent.
As we have made numerous analysis of similar fertilizers, made by other firms, we can assert that the article made by W. & C. is not surpassed by any other on sale, and that we have examined, but it is decidedly superior to the greater part of them, and is, moreover, very uniform in composition. Respectfully yours,
BOOTH & GARRETT.

The above Phosphate for sale by
J. A. REYNOLDS & SONS,
Middletown, Del.
apr 8—2m.

REGISTER'S ORDER.
NEW CASTLE COUNTY, April 12th, 1871.
Upon the application of WILLIAM DUDLEY, Administrator of Lydia G. Thomas, late of Appoquinimink Hundred in said County, deceased; it is ordered and directed by the Register that the Administrator aforesaid, give notice of the granting of Letters of Administration upon the Estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted with full force of law, from the date of such Letters, in six of the most public places of the County of New Castle requiring all persons having demands against the Estate, to present the same, or abide by an Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.

And also cause the same to be inserted within the same period in the *Middletown Transcript*, a newspaper published in Middletown, and to be continued therein two months.

Given under the hand and Seal of Office of the Register aforesaid, at New Castle, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written.
B. GIBBS, Register.

NOTICE.—All persons having claims against the Estate of the deceased must present the same duly attested to the Administrator on or before April 12th, 1872, or abide an Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.

FOR RENT.
A Store and Small Dwelling adjoining, on Main Street, Middletown. Inquire of
A. R. PENNINGTON.
apr 15—3w

THE GREAT FERTILIZER
WALTON'S
RAW BONE
SUPER PHOSPHATE
STANDARD GUARANTEED
200 LBS.
MANUFACTURED BY
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A FERTILIZER OF
SURPASSING EXCELLENCE,
WARRANTED PURE.
MANUFACTURED ONLY BY
WALTON, WHANN & CO.
Wilmington, Delaware.

BEWARE OF IMITATIONS.
For Sale by **E. T. EVANS,**
Middletown, Del.
March 27—ly

BOWERS'
Complete Manure,
MADE FROM
Super-Phosphate of Lime, Ammonia and Potash.

Warranted free from adulteration, and equal in quality to any sold during the last five years.

Experience in the use of "BOWERS' COMPLETE MANURE," by the best farmers of Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, and the Cotton States, has resulted in proving it to be
THE BEST FERTILIZER
OFFERED FOR SALE.

HENRY BOWER,
MANUFACTURING CHEMIST,
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DIXON SHARPLESS & CO.,
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And For Sale by all leading dealers.

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MIDDLETOWN, DEL.

ESTABLISHED 1865.
Apples, Pears, Peaches, Plums, Cherries, Currants, Grapes, &c.
Poultry, Game, NUTS, &c.
of all kinds in season.
149 West St.,
Cor. BARCLAY ST.,
Acker & Co.,
Fruits, Produce, &c.
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Shipping Orders Filled with Care.
Returns promptly made.

REFER TO
Fisher & Bro. - Bridgeville, Del.
William Leythen - Camden, Del.
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And numerous other parties. Send for circular with important information to fruit growers.
apr 15—3mos

FRENCH CALF SKIN BOOTS.
CHARLES H. SUTTON,
HAYES' Tobacco Store,
Middletown, Delaware,
preparing to make fine stitched boots equal to city work. Call and see him.
apr 15—3mos

AGENTS WANTED to sell a new, novel and useful article
USED BY NEARLY EVERYBODY,
Exceedingly liberal terms will be made with competent and reliable parties to travel and sell.
Address
CRAIG W. STONE,
No. 11 E. Water St. Wilmington, Del.
apr 22—1m

SPECIAL NOTICE!!

W. M. KENNARD & CO.

HAVE NOW IN STOCK

A FULL LINE OF

CARPETS,

MATTINGS,

OIL CLOTHS,

MATTS, &c.

WHICH THEY ARE OFFERING

AT

LESS THAN USUAL RATES,

TO

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ALSO THE LARGEST AND MOST

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AND

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ALL OF WHICH ARE OF-

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